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The Applicant: Kevin J. Torek, et al.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 5, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed December 5, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

The Applicants are submitting herewith a Submission of Substitute Formal Drawings for the Examiner.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 41-62 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please replace the original Claims 15-16 with the following clean versions of amended Claims 15-16. For convenience, all pending claims are presented below, with the respective status of each claim shown in parentheses after the claim number. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to 15-16. The attached page is captioned: Version With Markings to Show Changes Made.